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In re the application of: WATANABE, et al.

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND FABRICATION METHOD THEREOF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 22, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2003, extended to September 23, 2003 by a 1 month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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